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MILLIONS OF PLANTS

*Catalog of strawberries & vegetables*

...AT...

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Plant Gardens for 1908

INDEXED

Many of the New and Leading  
Varieties of

STRAWBERRIES  
and Sweet Potatoes

ALL THE LEADING VARIETIES OF

Early and Late Tomatoes INDEXED

Early and Late Cabbage

Asparagus Roots, Etc.

Celery, Egg Plants, Lettuce



# To My Friends and Patrons:

While my catalogue is small and simple I endeavor to give you the advantage by charging less for my goods, as you can see. I feel grateful for your liberal patronage in the past. Last year far excelled any previous year. My trade has grown from a modest hot bed to acres of hot beds, cold frames, hot houses, plant gardens, etc. Besides our local trade, we are shipping our goods from New York to Florida with success. It has been my aim to have my stock true to name—cheap as possible and good quality as can be had. We expect to be better prepared this season to meet the demands of our trade than ever before. In fact, there will be an addition, this year to everything in our business. While our Sweet Potato Plant trade was immense last year, we expect to add more beds and some new varieties this season. We expect to have great quantities of Cabbage Plants and Early Tomato Plants. We have now some wintered over Cabbage Plants. Our shipping station is near the main line from Florida to New York.

REFERENCES:—Dr. F. N. Sheppard, Crumpton, Md.; Dr. A. E. Sudler-Sudlersville, Md.; Mr. Joseph Mallalieu, Millington, Md.; Mr. W. D. Pennington, Kennedyville, Md.; Mr. Medford Walls, Church Hill Md.

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## ... STRAWBERRIES ...

Our Plant Beds this season are fine. We are offering some new varieties. Berries marked (per) are perfect bloomers. All others are imperfect and need some perfect variety planted near to pollenize them. Purchaser to pay transportation charges.

VARIETIES.	PRICE PER 100.	PRICE PER 1000.
Auto, very fine berry .....	35	
Armstrong (per) midseason to late, resembling New York; very large .....	35	
Bubach, midseason, good old standard sort .....	25	\$2 25
Cardinal, midseason, said to be very fine allround berry, being new; not fruited for me .....	50	
Crimson Cluster, (per) late, resembles Gandy, and used by some as a substitute for Gandy .....	30	2 50
Chesapeake (per) new; said to be as late as Gandy .....	75	
Chillie, (per) midseason, new; said to be large and productive .....	60	
Early Hathaway, (per) early, firm, productive, pretty, good .....	25	2 00
Kansas, good berry on rich soil .....	30	
Gandy, (per) late, a standard sort; has few equals as market berry .....	25	2 25
Goodluck (per) new with me: said to be large as Gandy; few days earlier .....	35	
Lester Lovett, early; liked by some; no favorite of mine .....	25	
Morning Star, (per) early; said to be the largest early berry grown; also firm and fine looking; new; not fruited yet for me .....	30	
Midnight, very late; well thought of by some .....	30	
New Home, (per) late, firm, good paying berry .....	30	
New York, (per) midseason to late, grows very large, fine quality .....	30	3 00
Oom Paul, (per) good home berry .....	30	
Oaks Early, (per) early, very fine quality, firm, good paying berry .....	25	2 25
Success, (per) early to midseason; the best paying berry I have found; very fine looking, good quality .....	30	2 25
Sample, midseason to late; one of the best berries grown .....	30	2 25
Superior, (per) early to midseason; one of the berries grown so extensively a few miles south of here; good paying berry .....	25	2 25
Senator Dunlap (per) midseason; this berry seems to be growing in favor; most people speak well of it; it is a good pollenizer .....	25	2 00
Saunders, (per) an old standard sort, good pollenizer .....	30	
Stevens Late Champion, (per) a very fine late berry .....	30	2 25
Texas, (per) early; a fair substitute for Excelsior .....	30	
Virginia, early; very productive; fine berry for market .....	30	



The plants named in this catalogue are all grown on my own land and in new beds. We have no dangerous diseases or insects that I am aware of on the farm or near us. Our Strawberry Plants are all cleaned of surplus leaves, runners, etc., by competent persons and packed for shipment in light crates with damp moss. All packing is attended to by myself. Any variety will be sent by mail, post paid, for 20c. per dozen.

## ***Early and Late Tomatoes***

**EARLIANA**—a very popular first early; brought very high prices last season.

**CHALK'S EARLY JEWELL**—one of the best second early varieties.

**I. X. L.**—another of the best; not quite as early, however, as Earliana.

**CHAMPION**—another second early, and a favorite with many on account of extra quality.

**STONE**—a good all season tomato.

The above five varieties will be our leaders this season. Will try, however, all promising new varieties.

**PRICES** per dozen by mail, postpaid, large transplanted, packed in protected packages in damp moss (will keep in good condition a week). Every town and country garden should be supplied with these fine early plants at 20c. dozen, post paid. The same grade of plants per 100, purchaser paying freight, \$1.00; per 1000, \$6.75. We sell large quantities of these transplanted plants to market gardeners and truckers, 40c. 100, \$3.00 1000 from seed beds. Plants in pots, we sell a great many of them in plant garden. Can ship them, and do ship a good many, but the transplants give best satisfaction, as they can be packed to advantage. 2½ inch pots, 30c. dozen; 3-inch pots, 35c. dozen; 3½-inch pots, 40c. dozen. Plants from seed beds will be ready April 1st, transplanted April 20th, pots April 10th. Will grow big lot of Stoece for canning. Price on application.

## ***Sweet Potatoes and Plants***

We make a specialty of growing Sweet Potatoes for seed. But owing to the unfavorable weather conditions last year, our crop was very short. We offer the following varieties:

**IMPROVED EARLY CAROLINA** (yellow). This potato has come to stay; it has good qualities and will grow on thin soil. It produces large crops on good soil.

**EARLY GOLDEN**. This new potato has been grown by me two years. I am delighted with it. It is just the potato for early market. Very pretty deep yellow.

**BIG EARLY RED**. An old standard sort, very early.

**RED NANCYMOND**. Very dry and sweet, standard. An old but good potato.

We ship as far south as Florida and as far north as New York with success. Prices will be furnished on application.

## ***Sweet Potato Plants***

We expect to grow about 300,000 plants this season and will probably ship a good many away. We believe we know how to put up sweet potato plants for shipment. Price for all except Early Golden will be \$1.50 per 1000 during the month of May and until 10th of June; after that \$1.25 per 1000. Early Golden will be \$2.00 per 1000.

## ***Cabbage Plants***

I have on hand growing now some wintered-over plants in frames, also some wintered-out plants. This kind of plant can be set earlier than spring grown plants, as they are hardier. Will probably grow 100,000 spring plants and many later plants for summer and fall and winter. Any of these plants can be shipped long distances in good order. Our mode of packing has been successful. Varieties and prices: **SELECT EARLY JERSEY WAKEFIELD**, one of the leading first early varieties. **WININGSTADT**, also a favorite with many. **HENDERSON'S EARLY SUMMER**, a fine flat head, second early. These three will be my early varieties. Prices will be 25c. per 100, \$1.75 per 1000. Winter and spring both the same price; by mail 15c. per dozen, postpaid.

Winter varieties will be **FLAT DUTCH**, **SURE HEAD**, **DRUMHEAD SAVOY**, **DANISH BALLHEAD**. Price \$1.00 per 1000 in garden or f.o.b. Millington.



## **Celery**

Expect to have plenty of Celery Plants. We are selling celery plants in all parts of the country. Will begin selling the early varieties July 1st and finish selling winter varieties in August. WHITE PLUME and GOLDEN SELF-BLANCHING will be our early varieties. GIANT PASCAL and WINTER QUEEN will be our winter varieties. Golden Self-Blanching will be worth 25c. per 100, \$1.75 per 1000; all others 20c. per 100, \$1.50 per 1000.

## **Egg Plants**

Our varieties this year will be BLACK BEAUTY, an extreme early kind, NEW YORK IMPROVED, a fine large purple kind, very popular. Plants will be ready from May 15th to June 20th. Price, good stalky plants, from seed bed, 20c. per dozen, 50c. per 100, \$4.00 per 1000. 35c. per dozen in pots, 3-inch.

## **Asparagus Crowns**

Our low prices make a big demand for Crowns. We planted nothing this time but PALMETTO. We have a fine lot of one-year-old crowns that we are offering for 25c. per 100, \$2.00 per 1000. Large lots at special prices. Our crowns are thrifty and free from any disease or insect. Our one-year crowns have a reputation for making fine beds.

## **Lettuce**

Wintered Plants, 25c. per 100; Spring Plants, 20c. per 100. BIG BOSTON, MY CHOICE, (curly) and WHITE CABBAGE will be the varieties. Will also have between two and three hundred sash of lettuce headed or bunched for market, in February and early spring. We put them up in trays with roots and dirt, two dozen in tray, and sell to trade for 50c. tray. Will keep and grow in trays. We sell and ship thousands of heads yearly.

## **Truck**

We do a Truck or Market Gardening business on a large scale and sell lots of Truck and Fruit in patch at wholesale, such as Strawberries, Blackberries, Dewberries, Early Cabbage, Early Tomatoes, Egg Plants, Cantaloupes, Melons, &c.

## **Seed**

We have made a specialty of growing the EDEN GEM CANTALOUPE for the last two years for seed, also for New York market. They bring better prices by far than other varieties of my neighbors. They sell well everywhere. Too much cannot be said in their favor. They take the place of the Rockyford all right. Our stock of seed are direct from the originator and introducer. We have two grades. We selected most of our seed; that is, we picked out the nearest 45 size and the prettiest specimens. At other times we saved the run of the patch. We are offering the select for \$1.00 pound, run of patch, for 80c. postpaid. Special price on large quantities. We only have 175 pounds to offer. We offer SPARKS' EARLIANA TOMATO, first early, large, good market variety, 25c. ounce;  $\frac{1}{4}$  pound, 75c.; 1 pound, \$2.75. We have plenty of STONE Tomato Seed at about one half, or less than you pay for them. Write for prices early in season. We also have a fine lot of EGG PLANT SEED (N. Y.) 25c. ounce; 75c.  $\frac{1}{4}$  pound.

**Advice.**—We get our mail daily and can answer by return mail. Will be glad to give any information concerning my business. Write for prices on large lots. Residence, Potato Houses, Green Houses, Plant Gardens, etc.,  $1\frac{1}{2}$  miles east of Crumpton, or half way between Church Hill and Millington. In order to avoid collecting, mistakes, etc., it will be necessary for cash, money order or check to accompany all orders, except where other arrangements have been made. Orders may be sent ahead and will be booked and held a reasonable time and sent on remittance. While we have been successful in avoiding mistakes in the past, we will not assume any responsibility should there be a mistake made for more than the cost of plants, seed, etc. Remember our Strawberry Plants are cleaned of surplus leaves and runners by hand, by competent persons; and all plants, both fruit and vegetable, for shipping, are packed in light crates in damp moss, labeled and delivered to station or wharf (this end) free. We put our plants low and cannot discount except on large orders.

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